

# Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

Alex. H. Washburn

Spare the Mail!

Inflation, Maybe

Politics, Certainly

The way I hear it, a local matron parked her car in a hurry during the Christmas shopping rush, blocked the Post Office, alley—and the mail truck missed an important train connection. Just think of all those poor little old late Christmas cards...

Yesterday's headline on this page read: "Wall Street Betting on Invasion Ahead."

Well, perhaps it's so—or it may only be that the wish is father to the thought.

The Associated Press' Sam Dawson reported from New York yesterday that:

1. More people are going into the stock market—shifting away from bonds and preferred stocks to the variable-earnings stocks known as "common."

2. The Pittsburgh steel-makers hiked their product \$4 a ton not only to cover worker-welfare costs but also because they were reasonably sure the general price level is going up rather than down.

3. The Washington government, because it's already in the red, is going to try to assure some personal popularity by including additional items in the 1950 budget calculated to pump more "easy money" into the country.

All this sounds convincing, of course—but the payoff is down here among the little fellows along Main Street. Billion-dollar figures exist only in newspaper accounts of the balance sheets of big business and big government. The pay-off is in mere dollars and cents—taken from the family pocket-book.

We may have inflation—but that we've got politics in the business picture is a certainty. The Washington government wants a record-breaking farm crop with an order limiting production and reducing the total number of dollars to be paid the farmers. But the same government encourages wage-increases and higher prices in all lines of industrial manufacture—leaving production to be limited by the hard economic fact that the agricultural sections are running out of dollars.

It's a rigged political deal—and Washington hasn't heard the last word on the subject.

## Contributions to Boy Scout Campaign

Previously Reported		\$514.00
Talbot Field, Jr.	5.00	
John P. Vesey	5.00	
Dr. A. J. Neighbors	12.00	
Lyle Brown	6.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Moran	1.00	
Charles Graham	1.00	
G. M. Grigg	2.00	
Orville Ogleby	1.00	
Clyde Zinn	5.00	
Raymond Huest	1.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Reynerson	3.00	
W. C. Baker	5.00	
A. S. (Pap) Willis	5.00	
Len Davis	1.00	
Kinard Young	4.00	
E. P. Young, Jr.	5.00	
La. Nevada Transit Co.	10.00	
Doyle Reaves	2.00	
Winfield Huckabee	50	
Jerome Smith	3.00	
A. B. Goodwin	1.00	
Clyde Arnold	1.00	
Owen Hollis	1.00	
Hollis Green	1.00	
Jack Fountain	1.00	
Billy Arnold	1.00	
Hope Steel Laundry	1.00	
Dennis Bell	1.00	
La. Clinton	1.00	
Clyde Martin	1.00	
Clifton Turley	1.00	
Frank Ramsey	1.00	
Mrs. Florence Hicks	1.00	
William Butler	1.00	
Jack Fielding	1.00	
Rufus Martin	1.00	
Total	\$608.00	

## To Enforce Local 2-Hour Parking Law

Hope's two-hour parking law will be strictly enforced this week, Mayor Lyle Brown and Chief of Police Clarence Baker announced today.

Due to heavy traffic brought on by Christmas shopping it is absolutely necessary to limit cars to two-hour parking throughout the downtown area.

The city officials appealed for cooperation of the public and especially for persons working downtown and who leave their autos in one parking place all day.

## Information on Cotton Sought

Cooperation of Hempstead county farmers was asked today to help set political machinery in motion to change the government's cotton allotment plan for this section.

P. S. McDavid, local cotton farmer, is gathering information which will be forwarded to Congressman Oren Harris for possible use in an effort to revise the system.

All farmers are asked to send in the following information to Mr. McDavid:

Contract number, name, address, cotton acreage in 1947 and 1948 and the allotment for 1950.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas—Cloudy, warm; this afternoon. Showers Wednesday, in West, North tonight. Colder north-west tonight, in west, north Wednesday.

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## Christmas Tree Burning to Be Held Dec. 31

Representatives of local insurance agencies met yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce office and agreed to sponsor a Christmas Tree burning party the night of December 31, at 7 o'clock at Fair park.

A Christmas tree burning has two purposes—to eliminate fire hazards for the protection of homes and possible lives and to let the affair represent a symbol of "burning your wrongdoings" and start the new year off right with proper resolutions.

A short program will be given by the Hope Ministerial Alliance preceding the blaze. Everybody loves a bonfire, the size of the one New Years night depends on how well citizens of Hope cooperate.

Here's the setup:

Local residents are asked to take down their Christmas trees and place them on the curb starting December 20 and not later than early morning Dec. 31. This will allow the city street department plenty of time to pick up the trees and take them to Fair park.

At 7 p.m. December 31, everyone is invited to Fair park to witness the bonfire which will be under supervision of the Hope Fire Department.

The longer a Christmas tree remains in the grocery, the fire hazard. This method of disposing of them has the wholehearted endorsement of all local insurance companies, the Fire Department, the City of Hope and the Chamber of Commerce. You are invited to participate.

**Stalin to Observe 70th Year**

London, Dec. 20—(UP)—Premier Josef Stalin of Russia will celebrate his 70th birthday tomorrow amid a skillful propaganda campaign that has placed him in a niche just short of sainthood in the eyes of his followers.

Moving little by little into the background of the Kremlin scene he dominated so completely during the war, Stalin now is known as "Great Stalin," the "teacher and leader" of millions of faithful Soviet communists the world over.

Lengthy birthday poems, a mountain of resolutions and highway petitions are conferring on Stalin, Georgian cobbler's son, such titles as "theoretician and initiator of the transformation of nature in the U.S.S.R."

Rallying to the call for veneration, Czech communists produced a scroll with an estimated 9,999 signatures. In addition they renamed the highest peak in their country "Mount Stalin" and planted a Soviet flag atop it. Five million signatures followed.

But Stalin's birthday is not marked by idolatry alone. Trains and planes are moving on Moscow time, turned into meat, and into dairy and poultry products. There should be plenty of all for the eating public. But what will the price be?

Well, department of agriculture officials are meeting Wednesday to discuss one phase of it—the 1950 price supports for eggs. Currently the government is supporting them at 5 cents a dozen and is said to have huge quantities stored away in caves. But the present 90 per cent parity support legislation for eggs expires with the old year. If the department decides to support prices at 75 per cent of parity, that would be around 36 cents a dozen for ungraded eggs.

However, there may be a break for the consumer—and a headache for the producer—early next year in one food department.

Poultry in cold storage now tops 180 million pounds, compared with 92 million pounds a year ago. This will nearly take care of the holiday demand, and leave over plenty to be marketed later in the winter. If the price breaks sharply, the government may be asked to help there, too.

## Eating Cost to Be Top 1950 Dispute

By SAM DAWSON

New York, Dec. 20—(UP)—The cost of eating is likely to become one of the most bitter disputes of the new year. It is also likely to become even more an artificial thing, strictly manipulated.

Since 1950 is an election year, there seems little chance of the year seeing a big break, if anything, for the eating public. The anticipated decline in farm income will disturb both consumers and the merchants in the farm belt. And whatever you may save at the grocery, chances are you'll be asked to make it up later at the tax collection office.

Signs of the big fight ahead are plentiful today. Farmers and politicians are choosing up sides on government subsidy plans. Cotton growers have just voted to accept government control over how much they can plant in return for guarantees of how much they'll get for their crop. Wheat, corn, peanuts, rice and potatoes also have moved over into the area where the government will say what is planted, what price is paid.

But the price of food—should it be high to please the farmer, or the only digestive pain the government is going to have.

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**Mrs. Hollamon Dies; Funeral on Wednesday**

Mrs. Lou Hollamon, 66, of 308 Elm street, widow of the late Luther Holman, founder of the Hope Coca Cola Bottling company, died in a local hospital last night after a long illness.

Opening chorus, O Come All Ye Faithful, by congregation.

Invocation, Rev. Wilson Hymn, Holy, Holy, Holy, by congregation.

The Pageant:

Reader, Rev. Noel O'Steen,

Travellers to Bethlehem, Thom-

as and Johnie Burke, Jack Lloyd and Dee Coffee.

Mary, Jessie Burke,

Group of shepherds, Jewel Burke, Brian Roberts, Jimmie Arnold, John Lloyd and Wayward Burke.

Wise Men, Henry and

Rufus Burke, Bryson Arnold,

Curtain Angels, Mrs. Bryant Roberts, Mrs. John Lloyd, Mrs. Jewel Burke, Misses Charlie, Bobbie Faye, Lydene, and Sue Burke, Lou Samuels and Joy and Alice Coffey.

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## Clow Students to Govern Themselves

Students of Clow Training school have organized student government for the year 1949-50. The student Government has a program worked out to improve campus life. It is a well-constructed program under leadership of the group's new president, James Gamble. President Gamble is an outstanding student. This is his third year in high school. The students elected for other offices are as follows:

Vice president, Bernell Sampson; secretary, Trassie White; Assistant secretary, Velma Woods; treasurer, Minnie Stewart; parliamentarian, Leon Whitmore; reporter, Florine McFadden; chaplain, Charles Nelson; sponsor, J. C. Goodwin.

## Hiss Defends Raid to Aid West Allies

New York, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Alger Hiss testified today that he defended America's right to aid the West Allies in the early days of World War Two — a time when the Hitler-Stalin non-aggression pact was in force.

Hiss said in his second perjury trial that he voluntarily prepared a memorandum on Sept. 26, 1939, which said this country could help the Allies.

The memorandum was put into evidence over strong government objections. Its purpose was to show that Hiss was acting at that time in direct contradiction to the Communist party line.

Whittaker Chambers, the government's chief witness, has testified that Hiss was a leader in the communist underground when he held a high state department post.

Hiss said he wrote the memorandum in answer to a letter by Columbia University Professors Charles Cheney Hyde and Philip C. Jessup to the New York Times. Their letter questioned whether aid could be given legally to the Allies.

Jessup now is an American delegate to the United Nations.

Hiss said he circulated the memorandum to state department officials interested in helping the Allies. He also testified that, at his instigation, a letter replying to the Jessup-Hyde letter was written by Professor Clyde Eagleton of New York university.

Government objections to the Hiss memorandum's being produced as evidence were based on the fact that it was written late in 1939 while most of the evidence in the trial concerns the years 1937 and 1938.

Hiss yesterday handled a stack of papers offered by the government as evidence and told the court: "I have never had these papers in my hand until just now."

The papers were typewritten copies of secret government papers that got into the hands of the self-described ex-communist agent Chambers.

### FORECAST

Dec. 20-24: Arizona — Temperatures still average near normal northwest to 35 degrees above southeast half. Normal minimum 39-34 north and 50-43 south. Normal maximum 59-55 north and 56-63 south. Warmer Wednesday except turning colder extreme northwest in afternoon. Colder extreme west Thursday. Little change Friday. Colder east and central Saturday. Precipitation generally heavy. Showers mostly in west and north through Friday and in extreme east Saturday.

**SECOND LADY SHOPS** — Mrs. Alben W. Barkley, on a combination honeymoon trip and Christmas shopping visit to New York City, is waited on by shoe salesman Stanley Grau. Seated next to the wife of the vice president is Mrs. Thomas A. Morgan, a friend.

**Boyle**  
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boys, and laughed and drank together on the river's bank — and nobody was afraid of anybody. None of us who was there can ever forget that first day of full

peace and happiness after the long years of war.

Circumstances being what they are, I won't be with you in Moscow tomorrow. But I would like to send you a birthday gift — of advice.

The advice, Joe, is to stop and look around.

For a guy only two inches taller than Napoleon you've come a long way. You were born a poor Georgian boy, Joseph Vissarionovich Djugashvili, whose father wanted him to become a cobbler and his mother a priest.

But you yourself chose to be a revolutionary, and chose as your punny nickname — Stalin, "man of steel." You've lived up to your nickname.

Your iron will carried you through seven exiles to Siberia. You fought your way up through Bolshevik ranks, and you let 1,000,000 farmers starve to death because you thought you knew what was best for Russia.

Perhaps you did. You have reached heights of power unknown to any previous Russian ruler. You unified your country to need peace — bringing by blood all who stood in your path — and, you saved your country in a mighty war.

Every step of the way you said your acts were dictated by a desire to help the common man — the working class. Practically all leaders say that.

Well, Joe, now's the time to put up or shut up.

What the common man in all lands has yearned most for is a period of peace and prosperity stretching endlessly ahead for him and his children. The common man everywhere, including the Russian, is sick of shedding his own blood.

The common men aren't mad at each other. And they won't be if their leaders won't sic 'em on.

The Russian working man, like the American, wants a better house, better schooling for the kids, a few new gadgets around the kitchen to keep his old woman happy, and more meat on the table.

And if you want to be remembered with real love by all the little Ivans of Russia, Joe, that's what you'll get — instead of those mere battleships and 1,000 more warplanes. There are no enemies at your gates.

You've got the power, Joe, and if you use it wisely maybe God will give you added years to turn your Russia into the wonderland of plenty you have promised so often. But you can't do it by building army on army. Remember what you yourself once said, Joe:

"History shows that invincible armies do not exist."

"Let's really start beating those swords into ploughshares, old timer."

Sincerely, Pvt. G. I. Joe (retired to mister).

The U. S. Navy's first submarine was stubby and cigar-shaped.

## N. Y. Mayor

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at photographers who cried: "One more, please, Mr. O'Dwyer."

As the nose of the trim, mahogany-decked cruiser pointed slowly away from the dock, the sun burst from behind a black cloud and revealed a giant heart which had been written in the sky by a sky-boat.

Down the airplain deck of "Pacifica" was free of the dock after 500 p.m., only 20 minutes after the tootarianey began at St. Joseph's Ga. in.

It sailed slowly northward as some 200 persons waved and shouted a farewell.

The Almar II picked up speed and moved toward the Atlantic ocean. It was lost to sight in about ten minutes.

Back at the church the crowd scattered to discuss the day's event.

Three pews in the front of the church were blocked off by white satin ribbons, and invited guests occupied two newspapermen, the third. Each pew was decorated with a spray of white gladioli and a white canvas runner stretched from the altar to the church entrance.

A huge white banner which the bridal couple passed under as they approached the church stretched from telephone poles and palm trees. It read:

"Ten thousand welcomes, Mayor O'Dwyer and bride, from Martin county Chamber of Commerce."

O'Dwyer is 59 and his Texas bride 23.

Miss Simon stayed aboard the \$40,000 craft last night and O'Dwyer spent the night at nearby Hope, sound, exclusive resort area.

On the honeymoon there will be only a two-man crew aboard the 90-foot luxury craft. One will be Capt. Raymond Moore of Greenwich, Conn., who has had 40 years at sea, and the mate, John E. Harris of Portsmouth, Va. Harris will be the cook.

The yacht has two luxurious staterooms with maple furniture, built-in vanity, shower and ship-to-shore radio.

## Win Forever Barkley Tells Democrats

Washington, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Vice President Barkley's prediction the Democrats will keep on winning forever stirred speculation today of a Truman-Barkley encore ticket in 1952.

If President Truman has decided he isn't going to run again, he hasn't told the politicians. The little signs by which a President's intentions are judged all seem to point the other way.

And no one in Washington doubts that if Mr. Truman does run again, Franklin Barkley will be available for the same slot on the ticket. His friends can't imagine Barkley bowing out of the picture after four years of the kind of fun he is having being vice president.

As the veep — a name his grandchildren tag on him by running the letters 'V. P.' together — Barkley is cutting a wide political and social swath.

As he himself puts it, he is "old John stuck" when the party needs a top orator to rally the faithful at a money raising banquet or a national broadcast such as the Democrats are coming up with January 4. President Truman gets to duck most of these chores because Barkley loves to talk and can rip off a political speech at the drop of a hat.

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## Windsors to Leave for America

Paris, Dec. 20 (UPI) — The Duke and Duchess of Windsor will leave tomorrow from Cher-

bourg for New York aboard the Queen Elizabeth, the duchess's secretary announced today.

The couple will spend several months in the United States. Two servants and the duke's private secretary will accompany them.

"That sounds just like the Republicans talked in October, 1948," he said. It was his wife who was the object of ringing cheers, of hordes of handshakers, and of an upsurge of joy on the part of the Danish-American colony which welcomed her.

John P. Anderson, a mere husband, stood in the background, walked down the gangplank last and was already deep in the process of being an ambassador's husband.

That is not to say that the husband was ignored. Not at all. He got his share of welcome, and that was where diplomacy won out.

The Danes, the Americans, and Mrs. Anderson herself saw to it that he would feel right at home in his unique role. Or tried to.

The Jutlandia itself was decked out for the occasion. On every mast was a little Christmas tree. The ship carried 42 passengers, most of them Danes returning from the United States.

A brass band on the pier played the national anthems of Denmark and the United States, and the Christmas songs. Hundreds of flag

wavers stood about.

Second Home Is Robbed in Little Rock

Little Rock, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Po-

peared to have received a report of the second home robbery in Little Rock in recent weeks.

Mrs. Edna E. Miller, 55, said that she

was sound, gagged and robbed at her apartment near the downtown business section here yesterday.

She said a man entered the apartment, threatened her with a knife and after binding her, took \$30 cash and jewelry.

Last month, a Little Rock minister reported that an armed man

entered his workshop, forced him to enter the house and robbed him of valuables.

**TOO EARLY TOO LATE**

Boston, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Three

men, a woman, a man, and a boy

robbed the Central Baking company today, missing a \$10,000 payroll because they

were too early and yesterday's receipts because they were too late.

They got \$200.

**New Spring Arrivals, Styled by**

**Jaunty Junior**

**Ideal Gifts for Her**

Enter Spring . . . and with

it, the slender silhouette

Jaunty Junior achieves it

in a suit of pure worsted . . .

its jacket moulded to

minimize your waist . . .

# Social and Personal

Phone 1268 or 1269 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P.M.

## Social Calendar

Tuesday, December 20

The Girl Scout Troop No. 4 will meet Tuesday (tonight) at the home of Mrs. E. L. Archer, Jr., 429 South Main, for the Christmas party.

Wednesday, December 21

There will be a church Christmas tree at the First Presbyterian church at 7:30 p.m. for all families. Santa Claus will be present with gifts for all children through the Intermediate department.

The Primary and Junior children of the Methodist church school will entertain their families and friends with an old fashioned Christmas party Wednesday evening, December 21 at 7 o'clock in the Recreation rooms of the church.

The Wisteria Garden club will meet in the home of Mrs. Manuel Hamm at 2 p.m. Wednesday, with Mrs. David Griffin, co-hostess. All members are urged to present.

Thursday, December 22

The Service class of the First Christian church will have its Christmas party at the Barlow Hotel at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

There will be no choir rehearsal at the First Christian church on Thursday.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Fred A. Luck, Mrs. M. A. Alab, Mrs. Williams for a tea at the Hotel Barlow from 2:30 to 3:30 o'clock Friday, December 23, complimenting Miss Matilda Caldwell and Miss Carol Dandforth.

Saturday, December 24

There will be the annual Christmas eve party for the children of the First Christian church Sunday school in Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m. Saturday.

## Notice

The Lilac Garden club meeting has been postponed from Wednesday to Thursday, December 22 at 3 p.m. and will be held in the home of Mrs. B. L. Rettig with Mrs. Fannie Moses, Mrs. Wm. P. Hargrave, and Mrs. W. A. Williams, co-hostesses.

Mrs. U. G. Garrett's S. S. Class Enjoys Christmas Party

The members of Mrs. U. G. Garrett's Sunday school class of the Shover Springs Baptist church held their Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the home of Misses Lucille and Wanda Ruggs.

The Yuletide motif was carried out in the decoration of the house and the refreshment plate.

Mrs. Garrett gave an inspiring devotional talk by prayer by Wayne England. Many Christmas games were enjoyed after which Miss Lucille Ruggs told the story of "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke.

Gifts were exchanged from the brilliantly lighted Christmas tree, while recordings of carols were played. The members presented Mrs. Garrett, teacher of the class, with a lovely gift.

A sandwich and dessert plate was served by the hostesses to 22 members and two guests, Miss Loreta James, and Miss Betty Sanders.

Mrs. Thomas Fenwick Hostess to S. S. Class The Fidills Sunday school class

**RIALTO**  
LAST DAY

GEORGE RAFT "Johnny Allegro"

— Wed. & Thurs. —

THEIR'S BRUTAL DANGER IN EVERY SILKEN CURVE!

William POWELL Shelley WINTERS

TAKE ONE FALSE STEP

LAST DAY

SHIRLEY TEMPLE Barry FITZGERALD THE STORY OF SEABISCUIT Color by TECHNICOLOR

WED.—THUR.

Greatest Outlaw Hunt in Oklahoma History

Randolph SCOTT The DOOLINS of Oklahoma

with LOUISE ALLIBRITTON JOHN IRELAND

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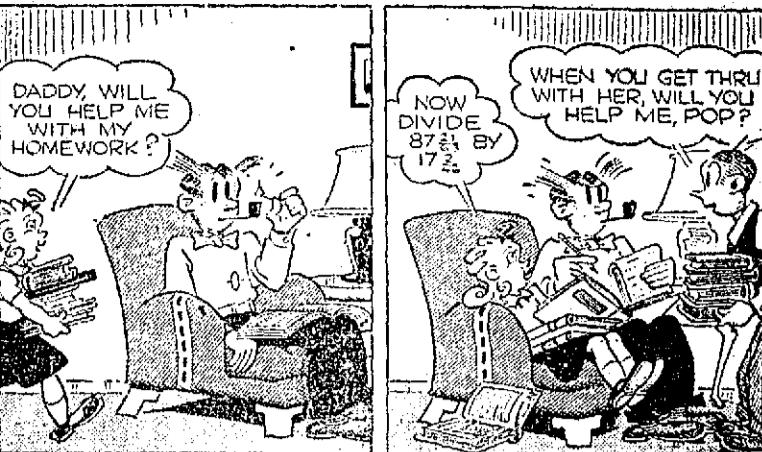
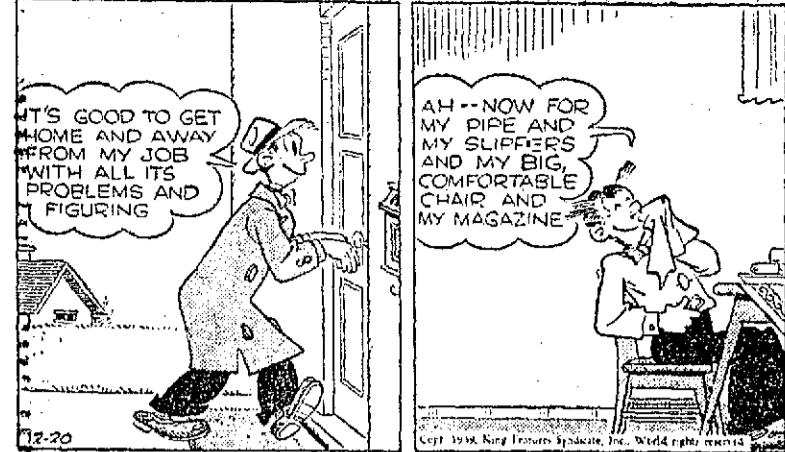
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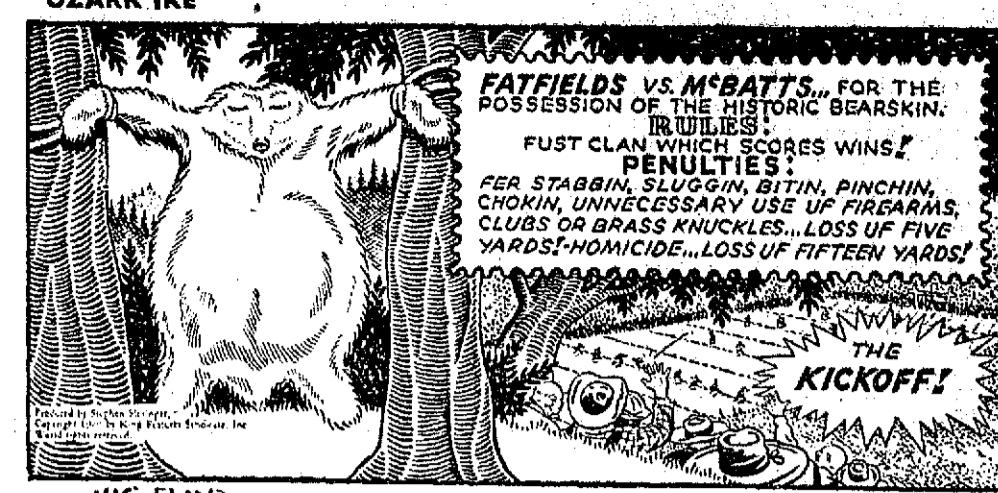
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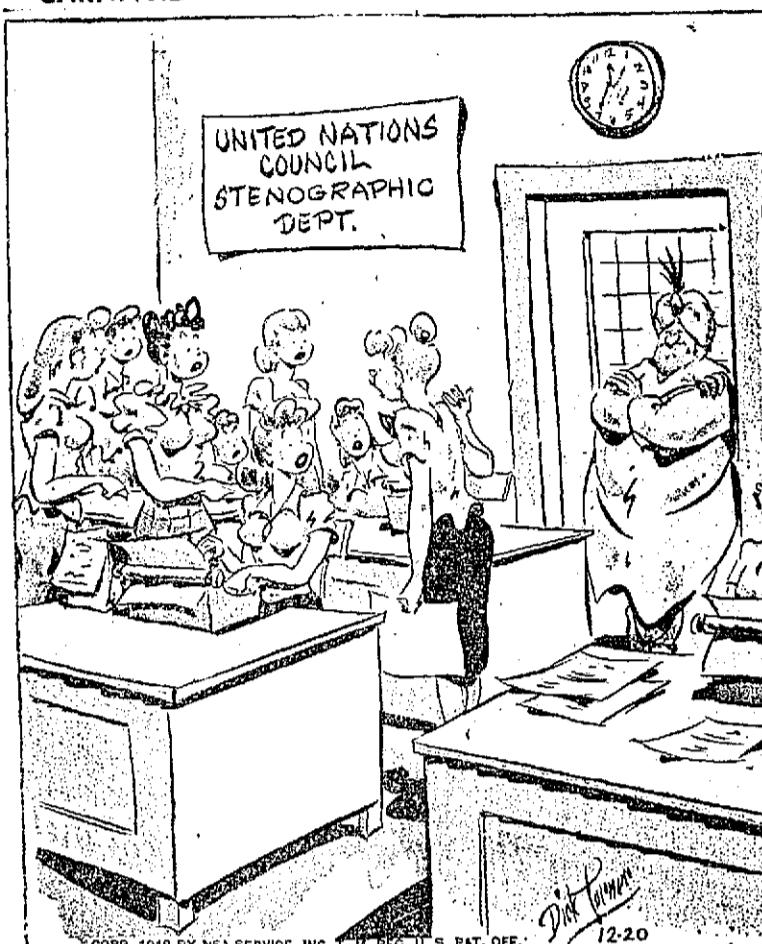
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## New Regime Takes Over in Australia

Canberra, Australia, Dec. 19.—Australia's anti-socialist coalition took over the reins of government today, leading off with a makeup of public service departments whose personnel has quadrupled since the beginning of the war.

Premier Robert Fordon Menzies, sworn in with his cabinet this morning, told his ministers to make a thorough probe of their departments with a view of cutting down the overhead.

Health Minister Sir Earle Page indicated tonight that one of the new regime's first acts of legislation will be to implement the government's national health scheme.

Page said he will call a conference of the department's health nurses early next month to iron out the existing deadlock among professional bodies.

Menzies, Dame Enid Lyons, first woman minister in the commonwealth's history and 17 other cabinet ministers were sworn in today by Governor-General William J. McKell, representing King George VI.

Dame Enid, widow of former Prime Minister Joseph A. Lyons and first woman member of the house of representatives, became vice president of the executive council.

Known throughout Australia as a public speaker, broadcaster and champion of women's rights, she will preside at council meetings when Menzies is absent.

Sworn in with Menzies were 13 members of his own Liberal party and five members of the Country party. They had campaigned successfully on the same anti-socialist platform against the Labor party which had controlled the government since 1941.

## May Bypass Union Shop Ection Law

Washington, Dec. 19.—(UP)—The Taft-Hartley's laws top enforcement officer, Robert N. Denham, was reported convinced today that he should bypass the law's union shop election requirement in the giant building industry.

This came out in advance of Denham's appearance today at a national industry labor board hearing. The industry and AFL unions have appealed for a board order exempting them from key provisions of the law.

Denham is the board's general counsel. He was reliably reported as due to announce that from now on he will keep his official eyes shut when a case of union shop agreement in the industry—claimed to be illegal for lack of a prior NLRB election—is brought to his attention.

Under the law Denham has final say on any unfair labor practices cases. He can either accept them or reject them, and in this manner he controls what "union" charges get to the board itself for hearing.

Denham also was expected to ask the NLRB to join him in his views on easing the law's application on the building and construction industry. Denham and the NLRB have run into serious obstacles on applying parts of the law to the industry.

Because of the importance of the situation Denham decided to outline his position to the board in person. Never before in his more than two years as general counsel has Denham argued before the NLRB, always leaving it to others.

Denham has tried for a long time to work out some way of holding union shop elections on building jobs, or construction areas, and now is ready to call it an impossible task.

The U. S. Navy's first submarine was propelled by a four cylinder gasoline engine.

## Two St. Louis Escapees Recaptured

Little Rock, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Two St. Louis youths, who escaped from the Pulaski county detention home last week, have been captured.

Little Rock FBI Agent Edwin J. Foltz said Joseph Franklin Ulrey, 15, and William Groves, 16, were arrested by Arkansas State Patrolman Harold Bell in Locksburg. They are to be returned here from Texarkana today.

The two are charged with stealing a truck in St. Louis and driving it to Pocahontas, Ark.

## Cornell Bans 'Drinking Society'

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Cornell University today struck two "drinking societies" from the list of recognized student organizations after a student was reported to have nearly died from drinking a quart of martini cocktail.

In a letter to the Cornell Sun this morning, Cornelius W. De Kiewiet, acting president of the university, said he had banned all activities of Majura and Beth L. Amed (Mummy).

The Sun, student daily newspaper, said de Kiewiet's action resulted from an initiation conducted by the two societies Friday night, at which a student drank "an excess of martinis."

The Sun said the initiation lasted an hour and a half.

The university identified the student as Harry C. Melton, 20, a junior from Wallingford, Pa.

The Sun said Melton was taken to the Cornell infirmary by members of the two societies after he received an accidental cut on the hand.

Melton was conscious when he entered the infirmary, the Sun said, but lapsed into unconsciousness shortly afterwards and remained in a coma for 15 hours.

His condition became critical Saturday but last night he was reported out of danger, the paper said.

De Kiewiet's letter said that "in view of the nearly fatal consequences of the activities of these two societies on Dec. 16 I have stricken them from the list of recognized student organizations of Cornell university."

The societies described themselves as "upper class social clubs."

## To Parole 60 German War Prisoners

Frankfurt, Germany, Dec. 19.—(UPI)—The U. S. Army announced today that 60 convicted German war criminals will be released on parole this week. Twenty-seven will go free tomorrow, 33 the next day. A Landsberg prison official said the sentences of the men to be paroled normally would have expired between now and next June 30.

## Plane Carrying Six Missing in Mexico

Mexico City, Dec. 19.—(UPI)—A PanMex (Mexican Oil monopoly) plane with six or eight persons aboard is reported missing today. It last was heard from Saturday morning.

Pernex said the plane was taking to Jalapa several relatives of passengers among the 17 killed Friday in a CMA (Compania Mexicana de Aviacion) plane that crashed near Jalapa.

Authorities fear the PanMex plane may have run into the fog and bad weather that still existed around Cerro Del Borrego, the mountain against which the CMA plane struck, tumbling 1,300 feet into a ravine.

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## Longest State Strike Is Settled

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Arkansas' labor picture is spot-

One of the longest strikes on record in the state has been settled but a new one has started and a labor dispute is brewing in the Arkansas coal fields.

The strike of about 800 American Federation of Labor workers on the Bull Shoals hydro-electric dam project in north Arkansas was settled Monday.

At Fort Smith, Joe Folsom, president of the AFL's joint trades council, said about 500 workers would go back to their jobs Wednesday. He said the contractor for the dam, Ozark dam contractors of Houston, Tex., had agreed to a union demand that the men return to the jobs pending discussions on wage scales.

The strike of more than half the news and photographic staff employees of the Arkansas Gazette in Little Rock rolled into its fourth day Tuesday. No settlement was in sight. Some of the newspaper's circulation workers have joined the strikers. They are members of the American Newspaper Guild.

The strike was called Saturday when the reporter and photographers said negotiations had bogged down. The guild is seeking a contract and want a voice in dismissal of employees. Management says it must have the final say.

Publication of the Gazette, the oldest newspaper west of the Mississippi river, has not been affected.

Union coal miners have announced plans to picket strip-mining operations of the Phillip C. Coal Co., near Ozark, Ark., as soon as mining gets underway.

A company spokesman said the mine went into operation Monday but no pickets appeared.

About 135 AFL basket workers in Jonesboro still are on strike.

Head of A&P Company Dies in New York

New York, Dec. 20.—(UP)—Funeral services for David T. Bofinger, president of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., will be held in his home in Teaneck, N. J., at 8 p. m. Thursday it was announced today.

Burial will be in Fairview cemetery, Fairview, N. J., at 2 p. m. Friday.

Bofinger became president of A and P in February, 1899, when he started to work for A and P, he was one of 24 employees. The chain now has 110,000 employees.

ing the "sampietrini"—workmen of St. Peter's—in the broadcast of the papal ceremony from both outside and inside the Basilica.

Pope Pius was said by Vatican sources to be busy on his annual Christmas report for Friday.

Final preparations for holy year were going on all over Rome. At the key railroad stations in Rome and the Clampino International airport, church authorities inaugurated special "pilgrims" aid centers which will assist arriving visitors.

New pilgrim centers in Rome and on the outskirts, where groups will be accommodated at minimum prices, will be established by Friday.

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## Presence of General Mao in Russia Is Enough to Prove Moscow-Sino Relationship

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The over-credulous, who have allowed themselves to be hoodwinked into believing that Chinese communism has no relation to the Moscow brand, can now disabuse their minds of this much advertised piece of propaganda.

The presence in Moscow of the Chinese communist leader, General Mao Tse-tung, is in itself proof enough of the Chino-Russian relationship. Mao, who frequently has hot-footed it for the Red capital as soon as possible after clinching his continental victory over Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's nationalist forces. There he is being received with all the honors due one of the world's powerful leaders.

Indications are that a big deal is cooking. An AP dispatch from Moscow says that a China-Soviet friendship pact appears almost a certainty. The two countries also are expected to work out trade and mutual assistance agreements. It is a moment of extreme satisfaction for Russia.

The Moscow newspaper Izvestia, Soviet government organ, editorializing in general terms about the situation in the Orient, says "American imperialists are obviously undermining by a very wide margin the forces of the peoples' liberation movement in Asia."

Maybe, but it strikes me America is pretty well aware of what is going forward in that theatre. It only remains for us to make our Asiatic policy as complete as our awareness of the people.

Of course, China represents only one phase of the present Armageddon which is in full swing in the Orient between communism and democracy. However, it's a vital phase, and Mao's triumphal visit to the powers that be in Moscow is an important moment.

However, while we shouldn't underestimate the importance of the development, neither should we overestimate it. Mao is delivering a very sound military success to Moscow, but he isn't delivering political domination of China's half billion people.

China is far from communized ideologically just as it was far from being a complete within Chiang Kai-shek's nationalist government.

So we must conclude that this is a crucial period in the Chinese civil strife. It is one of the most vital in the whole Asiatic political upheaval.



AUTO MISS—No, this isn't a new-type radiator cap for French cars, and you can't get her by tearing off three hub caps from your old car to send in with a down payment. The curvaceous ornament, Maryse Delcourt, was elected "Miss Automobile of 1949" at a Paris night club. She also won the car.

## New Coach to Confer With Barnhill

Fayetteville, Dec. 20.—(UPI)—The man who will pilot the Arkansas Razorbacks through the 1950 football season talked over his plans here today.

The new head football coach, Ois Douglass, met with Athletic Director John Barnhill this morning and was to lunch with newsmen later.

Douglass will not take over the position after Jan. 1.

The 33-year-old former William and Mary Coach and player has resigned his job as trainer and strategist for the National Football League champs, the pro Philadelphia Eagles.

Douglass was hired as head coach for the Porkers last week after Barnhill stepped down to take over as athletic director.

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## Gift Suggestions from York Furniture Co.



KANSAS SENATOR — Harry Darby, above, 54-year-old Kansas City, Kan., industrialist and Republican national committeeman, has been named U. S. senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Sen. Clyde M. Reed. Darby, who heads a Kansas City steel firm, says he will serve only until the 1950 general election and then retire.

50,000 Tickets Issued to Holy Ceremony

Vatican City, Dec. 20.—(UP)—The Vatican announced today that all 50,000 tickets for reserved posts at the Saturday ceremony opening the 1950 holy year had been distributed, and 100,000 additional requests had been turned down.

The Vatican printed 50,000 tickets for admission to the reserved section near the holy door of St. Peter's or for entrance to the basilica. Authorities said requests were received for three times the available number of places.

Further reservations for the ceremony of the opening of the holy year can not be accepted.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Adams spent Thursday in Texarkana.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tompkins have returned from a visit in Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hubbard spent Saturday in Texarkana with Mrs. Guss McCaskill who is ill in St. Michael's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cox were Thursday visitors in Fulton.

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